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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 16-19 without prejudice as follow:

1. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising synergistically effective amounts of:

(A) cefpirome, and

(B) a dalfopristine/quinupristine combination.

2. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein quinupristine and dalfopristine are present in a ratio of approximately 30:70.

3. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein said dalfopristine/quinupristine combination is in a liquid, lyophilized, or frozen form.

4. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection in a patient, said method comprising administering to a patient in need there of synergistically effective amounts of:

(A) cefpirome, and

(B) a dalfopristine/quinupristine combination.

5. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection in a patient according to claim 4, wherein said cefpirome and said dalfopristine/quinupristine combination are administered simultaneously or sequentially.

6. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection in a patient according to claim 4, wherein said cefpirome and said dalfopristine/quinupristine combination are administered through a multilumen catheter.

7. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection in a patient according to claim 4, wherein said cefpirome and said dalfopristine/quinupristine combination are administered in

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the form of two infusion bags, one containing the cefpirome and the other containing the dalfopristine/quinupristine combination.

8. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection in a patient according to claim 4, wherein said cefpirome and said dalfopristine/quinupristine combination are administered in the form of two syringes, one containing the cefpirome and the other containing the dalfopristine/quinupristine combination.

9. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection in a patient according to claim 4, wherein said cefpirome and said dalfopristine/quinupristine combination are administered in the form of an infusion bag and a syringe, with one containing the cefpirome and the other containing the dalfopristine/quinupristine combination.

10. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection in a patient according to claim 4, wherein said patient is in need of treatment for infections caused by both gram-positive and gram-negative microorganisms.

11. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection according to claim 4, wherein the dalfopristine/quinupristine combination is administered to said patient in an amount ranging from about 5 to about 60 mg/kg/day and the cefpirome is administered in an amount ranging from about 2 to about 4 g/day.

12. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection according to claim 4, wherein the dalfopristine/quinupristine combination is administered to said patient in an amount ranging from about 10 to about 30 mg/kg/day and the cefpirome is administered in an amount ranging from about 2 to about 4 g/day.

13. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection according to claim 11, wherein the cefpirome is administered in two infusions, two direct intravenous injections, or one infusion and one direct intravenous injection.

14. (Original) A method for treating a bacterial infection according to claim 12, wherein the cefpirome is administered in two infusions, two direct intravenous injections, or one infusion and one direct intravenous injection.